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## Pioneering scans pick up cancer sooner



• Senior urology nurse specialist Philippa Aslet, consultant radiologist Delia Peppercorn, patient Raymond Ripton and consultant urologist Richard Hindley

By Adam Flinn

A REVOLUTIONARY new method to detect prostate cancer developed at Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital has already helped doctors diagnose cancer in one man which

would otherwise have gone unnoticed.

A total of 130 patients have been taking part in a two-year trial at the hospital, in which MRI scans were used to investigate whether they had prostate cancer.

Currently all men identified as

potentially having prostate cancer are sent for an untargeted biopsy, which is an invasive procedure that was found in the trial to be unreliable.

This was certainly the case for 58-year-old Stephen Turlin, from Basingstoke, whose MRI scan picked up a

cancer that the biopsy missed.

He has since made a full recovery, but had he not taken part in the trial his cancer could have gone undetected.

Mr Turlin said: "I would certainly recommend the MRI to anyone, just because it can pick up on things that

the biopsy might miss.

"My cancer might have gone undiagnosed, so I'm really pleased that I agreed to take part in the trial.

"I feel proud that I was able to be

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# Millions put aside for road improvements

By Adam Flinn

SIGNIFICANT improvements to a key route in south west Basingstoke are being planned after £10million was set aside for work.

Enterprise M3 Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) is looking to use £10m from its £71.1m growth deal allocation to fund transport improvements to the south-west corridor of Basingstoke.

The A30 Winchester Road would be upgraded from junction 7 of the M3 into the town, ahead of the building of thousands of homes being built at Manydown.

Clive Sanders, leader of Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council, said: "This brings the total investment in key road improvements in Basingstoke, including government funding through Enterprise M3, to well over £40m.

"We have always said we need to have improvements in infrastructure to enable the town to develop. Attracting government infrastructure funding is essential to attracting businesses to bring more jobs here and improve the lives of our residents."

Enterprise M3 bids for funding from the government to pay for major projects that grow the economy, create jobs and upgrade infrastructure in



• The works would precede the 3,400-home development of Manydown and (inset) Clive Sanders

Hampshire and Surrey.

Previous growth deal funds for Basingstoke have included the 5G emulator programme in the Basing View Innovation Hub, which allows businesses working on mobile apps that can function beyond 4G.

Geoff French, chairman of Enterprise M3, said: "Basingstoke is one of our growth towns in the Enterprise M3 area and our priority is to help provide the infrastructure that will allow the potential growth to be realised.

"Our planned investments in

the town's key transport corridors demonstrate our strong support for its future development and continued success."

In a separate announcement, Hampshire County Council is set to decide on allocating £7.6million for improvements to the Thorneycroft Roundabout.

The council is set to meet next Thursday to make a final decision as part of its budget on investing £209m on improving roads and infrastructure across Hampshire.

Thorneycroft Roundabout is listed within this, as is £108m of

road and bridge maintenance including pothole repairs and road resurfacing.

Rob Humby, the county council's executive member for transport, said: "This planned investment programme would see us make use of Government grants, bids and developer contributions over the next three years.

"Our capacity and expertise allows us to deliver a large scale, high quality programme of improvements such as this, which will also attract economic growth and spend in the county."

## £3m secured to modernise primary school

AN OVERTON primary school is set to be modernised later this year after extra funding was secured by the county council.

Around £3million will be spent on recladding Overton CofE Primary School with a new energy efficient insulated 'envelope'.

The school, off Court Drove, is one of four across Hampshire that is set to benefit from the refurbishment, which has been

deemed necessary due to it being built in the 1960s.

Wootey Junior School, in Alton, is also set to receive £2.27m from the Government's education funding agency as part of a £10m block of funding to the county council.

The council's leader Roy Perry said: "Securing this major investment from the Government is welcome news for pupils,

teachers and parents.

"Whilst structurally sound, the buildings at these four schools are in need of work, with poor insulation and relatively high energy costs.

"Recladding the buildings will not only reduce energy costs and help protect the environment, but will also extend the life of the buildings - making them more sustainable and deliver-

ing the best value for money for taxpayers."

Executive member for education, Peter Edgar, said: "This investment is very important, as the quality of school buildings is a significant contributor to the success of a child's learning. These reclad buildings will create brighter, modern-looking and inspiring buildings for pupils to thrive and succeed in."

## News Bites

### Woman robbed

**BASINGSTOKE:** Police are appealing for information after a 39-year-old woman was robbed of two mobile phones, cigarettes and £60 in cash.

Between 5pm and 8pm on January 27, the victim was walking on a footpath off Margaret Road, in South Ham, when she was assaulted by a woman and robbed.

She suffered a wound to the back of her head and was taken to hospital for treatment.

Det Con Tracy West said: "Although we believe the incident to be isolated, we are keen to hear from anyone who witnessed any part of this attack, or overheard anything that may assist the investigation."

Call 101 with information.

### Pride group

**BASINGSTOKE:** A new LGBT group has been set up in Basingstoke and Deane with a focus on education, celebration and inclusion.

Pride245 is holding a meeting on Monday, where they will discuss plans for an annual festival in the town.

Joint founder Simon Bound said: "We have a well skilled and motivated group for others to join if they are interested in shaping what happens with Pride245 in the future. All are welcome."

Monday's meeting starts at 5.30pm at Chute House, in Church Street.

### Museum funds

**BASINGSTOKE:** Basing House is set to benefit from a share of an £80,000 pot from Arts Council England and the Department for Education.

It is one of a number of Hampshire museums to benefit from the funding, which will be used to develop children's workshops.

At Basing House, one workshop called Birds, Butterflies and Burrows has already been held, with children exploring different animals' habitats.

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# Surf the internet while you shop boost for businesses

## Free Wi-Fi in town centre

By Christian Wilson

VISITORS to Basingstoke town centre can now surf the internet for free while they do their shopping or enjoy a day out.

This is after the business improvement district (BID) for the town centre this week launched free Wi-Fi in the area for the first time ever.

Basingstoke Together installed the Wi-Fi in December, with the connection since being activated to cover the whole of the Top of Town, as well as The Malls.

Anyone wanting to access the internet can do so by clicking 'Basingstoke Free Wi-Fi' on their smartphones, with users then being permanently regis-

tered after logging in once.

Basingstoke Together's chief executive, Karen Wild, said: "We are delighted to be able to officially launch Basingstoke Free Wi-Fi, particularly as this was a service that town centre businesses identified as a priority."

"Basingstoke is now one of the few towns in the country to provide this service for its visitors."

"And this, together with a range of other initiatives we are delivering, will help Basingstoke town centre stay ahead of its competitors, whilst ensuring that our customers can stay connected when visiting."

The initiative has been funded by town centre traders as part of Basingstoke Together, although

it has also received financial support from Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

Business owners voted to start the BID in November 2015, with a levy then being imposed to fund projects and events decided by a steering group made of traders to improve the town centre's image when it was officially launched last April.

Alan Stone, owner of Squirrels Antiques, in New Street, said "I am proud of my association with Basingstoke Together. Working outside of political restraints means we are able to bring tangible, positive changes to our town centre for the benefit of our businesses and customers, such as town centre Wi-Fi."

• Basingstoke Together chief executive, Karen Wild



## News Bites

### Ferrets for Fun

**BASINGSTOKE:** Residents will have the opportunity to meet a ferret at the Basingstoke Discovery Centre next month.

With their aggressive reputation and sharp teeth, Ferrets for Fun will seek to dispel the myths surrounding the animal.

The talk will take place from 2pm on Saturday, March 4.

Tickets are £3.50, and under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.

### Grant funds

**HAMPSHIRE:** A new youth social action programme has been launched by Hampshire and Isle of Wight Community Foundation (HIWCF).

The programme is for those between 10 and 20 years old, with community groups across Hampshire able to apply for grants from £1,000 to £5,000.

Projects applying should build and share skills, and demonstrate a positive impact on the wider community. The deadline for applications is March 24. Apply online at: [tinyurl.com/z8o9k53](http://tinyurl.com/z8o9k53).

### £1.8m lottery

**BASINGSTOKE:** New figures show more than £1.8million of National Lottery funding was awarded across Basingstoke in 2016, including £1.2m for Basingstoke Voluntary Action.

## Treating men with suspected prostate cancer for the better

• From front page

a part of this. I decided to do it to try and help other men and hopefully with the results they have got, that will be the case."

The trial found MRI scans provide much better results with 93 per cent of aggressive cancers being identified – nearly double the figure from the untargeted biopsy process.

The NHS is now reviewing whether the outcomes of the trial can be implemented across the country, with MRI scans now being used regularly at Basingstoke Hospital.

Another patient who took part in the trial was 73-year-old Raymond Ripton, from Old Basing.

He had an MRI scan first before undergoing a targeted

and untargeted biopsy, with all three tests coming back negative.

The results of the trial showed that he wouldn't have needed to undergo a biopsy at all.

Mr Ripton said: "It's really good news because it means that a good proportion of men will not have to go through the biopsy, which is not a particularly pleasant procedure."

"Hopefully the knowledge that the MRI scan is a much more accurate way to detect cancer will put men's minds at rest in the future."

Richard Hindley, a consultant urologist who was a member of the trial management group, said: "The results of the trial are amazing."

"What happens in the UK now

will be felt around the world – we can improve outcomes and change the way we treat men with suspected prostate cancer for the better."

"It was a real team effort, with the urology, pathology, radiology, trials and research and development departments all involved, as well as staff in the operating theatres."

• Richard Hindley explains a scan to Raymond Ripton



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## Alton and BCoT merger plan

A REVIEW by the Department for Education (DfE) has recommended merging one of Basingstoke's two colleges with one from outside the borough.

The North and Mid Hampshire area review called for Basingstoke College of Technology (BCoT) to be merged with Alton College to "create a single institution serving the existing areas of the current colleges".

A steering group made up of each of the area's six colleges and local authorities felt that combining BCoT with Alton College would "enable the colleges to enhance their curriculum offer and learner choice".

The report did note that if a merger was not later deemed to be possible, BCoT would stand alone and seek collaboration with other organisations, although it insisted the link up would "secure a stronger financial position overall".

A feasibility study is now under way to establish the timescale, explore the financial and education aspects in detail, and consider the potential for a federation to be set up should any merger actually go ahead.

Another recommendation put forward by the group in the report called for Queen Mary's College to be converted to academy status during the current academy year.

# Pupils' animated film warning over sexting

By Christian Wilson

A GROUP of six Odiham schoolchildren have created an animated film warning how nude pictures sent between youngsters could potentially spread "like wildfire".

Around 13 per cent of children taking part in a recent survey of schools across the county by Hampshire police admitted to not thinking it was against the law for under 18s to take part in 'sexting'.

But a teenage team from Robert May's School this week presented a short movie of their own creation to front a campaign by the force to point out the possible life-changing consequences.

The movie by Alfie Payne, Chyanne Cox, Annabel Main, Charlotte Applin, all 14, and Katherine Bowditch, and Anna Driver, both 13, illustrates how a young girl sends a naked selfie to a boy, who then shares it many times with other.

It then warns that "sending a nude is the spark" that causes the resulting problems, with two theatrical face masks regularly appearing throughout

to represent the thoughts and emotions experienced by the characters.

Robert May's teacher Kathleen Wingfield said: "We're so proud of the students for the innovative skills, dedication and cooperation they displayed in both creating and presenting their campaign proposal."

The teenagers presented their animation on Monday, ahead of World Safer Internet Day 24 hours later, after being chosen as the winners of Hampshire Constabulary's Police Apprentice sexting prevention campaign in November.

School and youth engagement coordinator PC Maria Carrick said: "Everyone involved in this project is proud of the dedication displayed by the students in producing this film, and their commitment to setting a positive example for other young people."

"What we recognise and respect through our Police Apprentice initiative is the credibility and expertise that young people hold in developing solutions for issues that affect them."

"This is about educating and



• A team of six from Robert May's School created the film

safeguarding, so young people feel confident in speaking with the police, and seeking help.

"Hampshire Constabulary can take an approach in partnership with those young people to encourage safer, informed choices."

Anyone wanting to view the film can do so at [tinyurl.com/zobrutc](http://tinyurl.com/zobrutc).

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## News Bites

### Contactless bus

**HAMPSHIRE:** Residents hopping on the bus across Hampshire are set to be able to pay using contactless cards by the end of the year.

Additional Government funding for bus travel means that Hampshire buses will benefit from a total investment of over £1.6million to speed up the installation of contactless technology.

The service will be made available on 395 Stagecoach buses, 300 First buses, and 199 Go South Coast buses by the end of 2017.

Executive member for transport on the county council, Rob Humby, said: "Paying by card makes buying a bus fare easier for passengers and quicker for bus drivers, speeding up overall journey times."

### New chairman

**HAMPSHIRE:** The air ambulance that covers the Basingstoke and Deane area has appointed a new chairman of trustees.

Sir John Day has taken up the role at Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance (HIO-WAA), following the retirement of Noel Dobbs.

He said: "I am honoured to be taking over as chairman and I look forward to playing my part in helping to keep the air ambulance flying and saving lives."

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## 300 cannabis plants found: man arrested

CANNABIS plants and imitation firearms have been seized following a warrant carried out at a Basingstoke house.

Officers executed the warrant at a house in Old Worthing Road on January 30, with around 300 cannabis plants being found.

They also recovered three imitation rifles, two imitation handguns and one imitation shotgun, as well as two cross-bows.

A 48-year-old man from Basingstoke has been arrested in connection with the warrant, and has been released on bail until April 26.

It was carried out as part of Hampshire Constabulary's Operation Fortress, a campaign to reduce drug-related violence.

Sergeant Carl Homes said: "This successful operation underlines our commitment to disrupting drugs supply and drug-related issues in Basingstoke."

"The role of the community in tackling this type of crime is vital - if we do not know about it, we cannot do something about it."

"If you are aware of drug-related activity where you live, please call us on 101."

# Call to stop financial abuse of older people

By Christian Wilson

HAMPSHIRE'S police and crime commissioner (PCC) has backed a campaign aimed at helping to protect older people from financial abuse.

Charity Action on Elder Abuse has predicted that as many as 1,679 older people from across the county could be experiencing problems.

Typical financial crimes committed against the elderly include fraud, forgery, embezzlement, and "doorstep crimes" such as postal, phone, or internet scams.

One incident last April saw an 88-year-old man from South Ham tricked into placing £15,000 into two separate bank accounts after being called by someone pretending to work for the Metropolitan Police.

An identical scam just days later in Basingstoke also saw an 86-year-old woman from Sherborne St John convinced to transfer £4,000 to a "safer" account.

Now PCC Michael Lane is calling for a targeted crackdown on the abuse.

He said: "Any form of abuse

is unacceptable, and we must all do everything we can to help protect those who are most vulnerable.

"Financial abuse not only strips people of their money, it also takes away their trust and independence."

"We are often vigilant for the signs of other types of abuse, and as a result are seeing an increase in reporting."

In instances where an older person is not in a position to protect themselves from abuse, family members are advised to look out for changes in banking habits, unexplained transfers of assets, and different signatures on official documents.

**Financial abuse not only strips people of their money, it also takes away their trust and independence**

Mr Lane also urged people to keep themselves safe by checking bank statements regularly, reducing how much money can be taken from their account at one time, and noting that banks

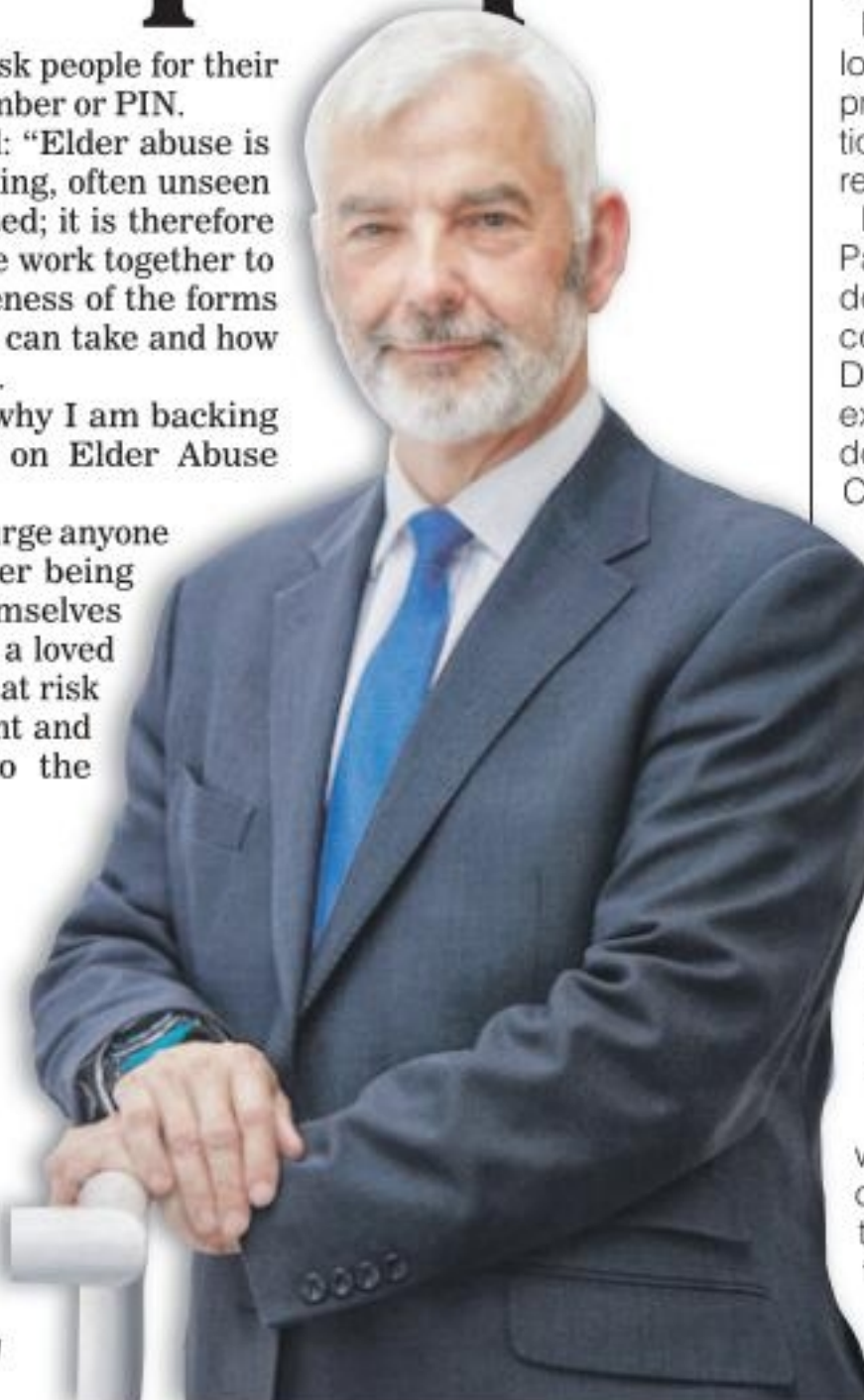
will never ask people for their account number or PIN.

He added: "Elder abuse is still happening, often unseen or unreported; it is therefore vital that we work together to raise awareness of the forms elder abuse can take and how to combat it."

"This is why I am backing the Action on Elder Abuse campaign."

"I would urge anyone who is either being abused themselves or suspects a loved one may be at risk to be vigilant and report it to the police."

• Hampshire PCC Michael Lane



## News Bites

### Bacon appointed

**HAMPSHIRE:** Dr Sallie Bacon has been confirmed as Hampshire's new director of public health (DPH) by Hampshire County Council and Public Health England.

Dr Bacon was chosen following a national selection process, having held the position of interim director, and will replace Dr Ruth Milton.

Member for health, Cllr Patricia Stallard, said: "I am delighted that we are able to confirm the appointment of Dr Bacon, whose skill and expertise has been so evident during her time with the County Council."

### New annexe

**BASINGSTOKE:** MP Maria Miller took part in the official opening of the new annexe at Buckskin Evangelical Church on Friday.

The opening, in Chiltern Way, was also attended by the borough's mayor Cllr Jane Frankum, and church leaders from across Basingstoke.

Mrs Miller said: "It is a wonderful addition to the church, which will help them to continue to grow both in terms of membership, and the excellent work they do with the local community."



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## News Bites

### Dating scams

**HAMPSHIRE:** Police in Hampshire are urging residents to be cautious after receiving reports of suspected scams.

Since the start of the year police have had reports of seven scams in which victims have sent money after speaking to people online. In each case, the victim had signed up to a dating website and was targeted over the course of weeks, months or even years, and asked to send money to the scammer for various reasons.

Det Insp Lee McClellan of Basingstoke CID said: "The victims in these types of incidents are often vulnerable and genuinely believe they are in a relationship with the person they have met online. It can be embarrassing for the victim to report they have been scammed."

He urged anyone who may have been a victim to contact police on 101.

### Ark chosen

**BASINGSTOKE:** Local firm Cotton Graphics – owned by former England cricketer Shaun Udal – has chosen Ark Cancer Centre Charity as its charity of the year.

They will be raising money for Ark's £5million appeal to build a cancer centre.

Mr Udal said: "It is a local charity and project that really matters to, and will help, local people."

# Man 'let robbers in for tea'

By Christian Wilson

A 'VULNERABLE' man was burgled by two strangers on Saturday after they tricked him into inviting them into his home.

The unknown man and woman knocked at the door of the 45-year-old in Maldiv Road, Popley, and asked if they could come in and make him a cup of tea.

When the victim let the pair into his flat they all went into the lounge of the house, with the woman then making tea for all

three as promised.

But while the woman and the victim were drinking in the lounge, the man slipped away upstairs to his bedroom, where he took a brown wallet containing £50 in cash, bank cards, and ID cards.

They then left the address without the victim initially being any the wiser.

Hampshire Constabulary has launched an investigation to establish whether the pair had targeted anyone else.

PC Adam Merrick said:

"These two people deliberately targeted a vulnerable man and preyed on his good nature."

"Once they gained his trust and entered his home, the woman distracted him, while the man went to another room and stole a wallet from the victim's jacket."

"Do you think you may have been a victim of these offenders?"

"Or have they approached you and you've turned them away?"

The pair are both white and aged between 40 and 50, with

the man described as being of large build, while the woman is of small build.

Following the incident, which took place between 4pm and 4.25pm, PC Merrick urged people to start using a chain and spy hole to see who is there before opening their door.

He said: "Never allow unexpected visitors into your home and always ask for ID."

"Then, before letting them in, check their ID with the company they are claiming to be from."

"Genuine callers or traders

will happily wait while their identity is confirmed."

"Carers and families of vulnerable members of the community should always ensure that this advice is followed, and think about installing additional security measures, such as additional lighting, CCTV and an intercom system."

Anyone with any information relating to the burglary should contact Hampshire police on 101, while they can also call charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

## Run and talk to support people suffering with mental health



MORE than 50 people took part in a special run held in Basingstoke last Wednesday to support people with mental health problems.

Hatch Warren Runners took part in the #RunAndTalk campaign staged nationally by Mind and England Athletics to help those suffering with poor mental health through talking.

The runners staged a 45-minute session, chatting along the way.

Basingstoke Samaritan Matt

• Hatch Warren Runners got together for a chat while they raised awareness of mental health issues

Holman, who is also a member of Hatch Warren Runners, said: "It was great to bring together two passions for members of this amazing club, running and talking."

"Whilst most runners do enjoy a conversation while running with their friends, it was nice to have a chance to talk with a wide range of runners of all abilities and their own amazing running stories and journeys."

"Basingstoke Samaritans is all for supporting these local community initiatives and helping people to talk is something that is high on the national agenda of many charities and organisations right now."

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## News Bites

### Pancake race

**ALTON:** Residents should start practicing their flipping skills as Alton's annual pancake race returns to the town this month.

Races are being held for children and adults, as well as team relay races for friends, families, groups and businesses to go up against each other.

Fancy dress is encouraged, with prizes handed out not for the best flipper but who best embraces the spirit of the day.

Bisi Eni-Olutu, Alton Town Council's community and events chairman, said: "What a great event to kick off our event calendar for 2017, we are hoping for a good turnout."

"I am looking forward to seeing people get into the spirit of the event and come along in their most spectacular fancy dress outfit."

Racing starts at 11.30am on Tuesday, February 21. For an entry form, go to [alton.gov.uk](http://alton.gov.uk) or pop into the Town Hall.

### NFU meeting

**STEVENTON:** The National Farmers Union (NFU) has met with North West Hampshire MP Kit Malthouse to discuss how the government could help farmers after Brexit.

The meeting took place at Stoken Farm in Steventon on January 27 to talk about British food production outside of the European Union.

# Praise for 'highly effective' work to keep children safe

By Adam Flinn

**HAMPSHIRE** County Council and its partners have been praised for its "highly effective" work in keeping children safe and protecting them from abuse and neglect at home.

Inspectors from Ofsted, the Care Quality Commission, Her Majesty's Inspectorate (HMI) of Constabulary and HMI Probation carried out a review of the county's children's services in December.

The results of the inspection were published last week, and the council was praised for its multi-agency response to children living with domestic abuse.

It also found that social workers were "knowledgeable" about individual children, and that arrangements for responding to domestic abuse were "robust".

However there were some areas for improvement listed, such as improving risk assessments and a small number of child protection cases being

stepped down before significant change had been maintained.

Keith Mans, the council's executive member for children's services, said: "This affirms my view of how high the bar is set by this authority and our partners to help keep children safe."

"I am fully aware of the commitment and dedication of our social care professionals, and I know this is something that all of the agencies at the centre of this inspection have in common."

"The willingness of all part-

ners to put the needs of the child first, and work together at every level to achieve the best outcomes for children, is something I regularly witness first hand."

Inspectors were also impressed with the police's Operation Cara project, which has been shown to reduce reoffending in domestic abuse cases.

Olivia Pinkney, chief constable of Hampshire Constabulary, said: "This report underlines the crucial importance of partnership. As agencies we are com-

mitted to improving our own services but in assessing how good we are at keeping vulnerable people safe we must lift our heads and look at the full picture."

"For policing this means not just arrest rates but good information sharing and innovative approaches such as Cara that are actually proven to break the cycle of offending."

"I hope this will give any person or family suffering from domestic abuse the confidence to come forward and talk about it."



• Red Mist Leisure owners Mark Robson and Mark Williams

## Destination pub created thanks to half a million pound revamp

AN ODIHAM pub is set for a £500,000 upgrade and a name change as it shuts for a significant refurbishment later this month.

Next Door, in High Street, has been taken over by Red Mist Leisure to become the group's eighth site.

Work is due to begin in mid-February to renovate the

500-year-old building into a "destination establishment", and will reopen at the end of March under its historic name, The Red Lion.

Mark Robson, managing director of Red Mist Leisure, said: "The Red Lion has an enviable location, situated on the high street of a picturesque and historic village."

"We will be keeping much of

the character of the building and by adding Red Mist Leisure's unique style, we are confident that we can create another 'destination' pub, bar and restaurant."

"Furthermore, this will be our first site in Hampshire to offer customers stylish en-suite bedrooms which will be perfect to serve both leisure and business customers alike."



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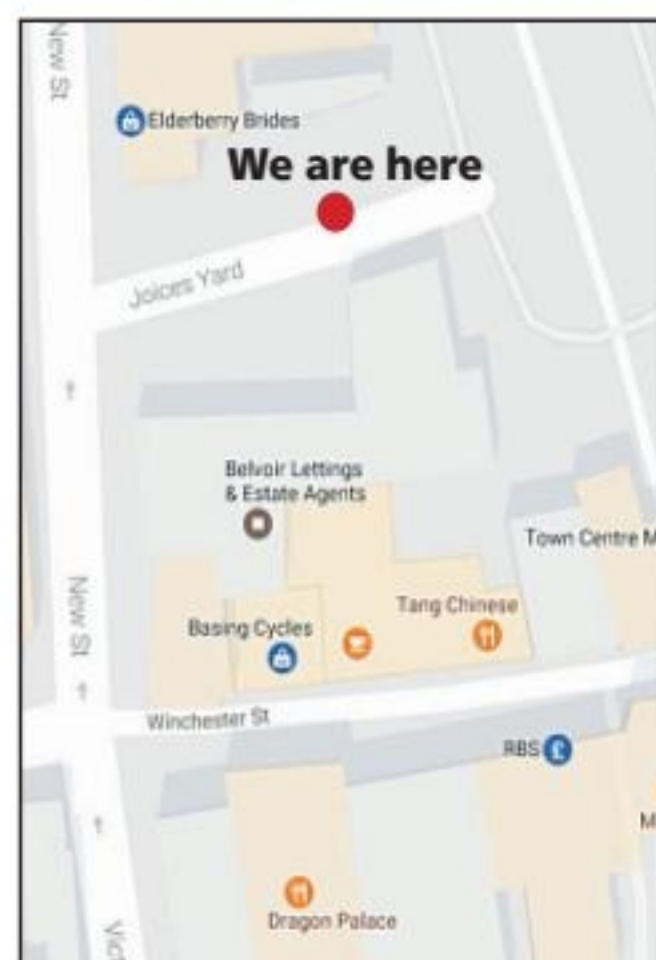
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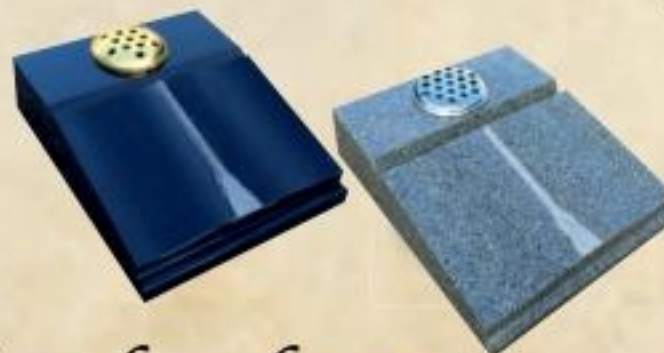
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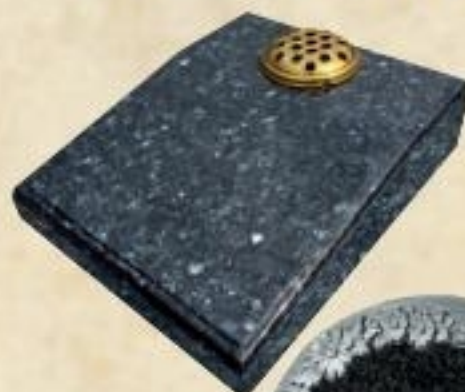
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## Air ambulance's new identity

HAMPSHIRE and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance (HIO-WAA) has unveiled its new look to coincide with the charity's 10th anniversary.

A new logo reflects the fact the air ambulance is now available day and night, 365 days a year.

It comes after HIO-WAA became one of the first air ambulance services in the country to begin night-time operations.

The branding will be shown on the air ambulance, as well as on the charity's new critical care team vehicle, which will become operational next week.

Alex Lochrane, CEO of HIO-WAA, said: "As a charity, our brand identity needs to keep pace with our developing service. It was clear to us that it was time to update our original logo with one that reflects our commitment to providing the highest level of emergency care outside of a hospital environment, day and night, 365 days a year."

"We can only deliver this service thanks to the outstanding support that we receive every day from the communities that we serve. Without their support, we simply could not continue to save lives."



# Get ready to rock at new music sessions

By Adam Flinn

HAVE your children ever fancied themselves forming the next great rock band?

Youngsters in Basingstoke and Tadley now have the chance to improve their musical talents with the opening of two new rock schools in the district.

The Rock Project teaches young people aged seven to 18 how to play guitar, bass and drums, as well as sing, in after-school sessions.

Professional musicians offer tuition, helping students to perform as a band.

It was launched in the district last month, with sessions at Queen Mary's College in Basingstoke and Bishopswood Junior School in Tadley.

The Rock Project tutor Harmeet Nandra said: "We already have a number of sessions running across Berkshire, Hampshire and Surrey, but parents from Basingstoke made enquiries about a school in their area so we felt the time was right to open here."

"We are really excited to be opening in Basingstoke and Tadley and already have



• Students with The Rock Project perform on stage

some really talented young musicians coming along to the sessions.

"Along with learning to play the music they love, it is genuinely inspiring to see how much The Rock Project students grow, both as musicians and in confidence, through taking part in sessions."

Separate junior sessions are staged for children aged seven

to 11, and a senior group for those between 11 and 18 years old.

The first half of each session sees students tutored in their chosen instrument, before putting their skills into practice in the second half and coming together to play as a band.

Queen Mary's College junior sessions run from 4.45pm to 6.45pm, and senior sessions

from 6.45pm to 8.45pm, on Tuesdays during term time.

At Bishopswood Junior School, junior sessions are from 4.30pm to 6.30pm, and senior sessions from 6.45pm to 8.45pm on Mondays.

All instruments are supplied. For more information or to sign up, go to [berkshire.therockproject.com](http://berkshire.therockproject.com) or call Harmeet on 0118 334 5562.

## News Bites

### Chosen charity

**BASINGSTOKE:** A Basingstoke-based HR consultancy has picked the Gynaecological Cancer Fund as its chosen charity for 2017.

Reality HR will be holding a series of fundraising events throughout the year, and has already collected more than £1,250 from a Christmas raffle.

Staff chose the charity after colleague, Kate Scott, was diagnosed with a rare form of ovarian cancer last year.

### Talk on care

**ALTON:** A free talk about the future ambulatory care of Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital is taking place.

Dr Tanuj Lad, the hospital's consultant in acute medicine and critical care, will be talking about services, treatments and investigations and answering questions about the service at Alton Maltings, in Maltings Close, from 6.30pm on Tuesday, February 28.

### Charge points

**BASINGSTOKE:** Hampshire County Council has unveiled plans for more electric vehicle charging points across the county. The council manages 14 charging points - including Churchill Way Car Park in Basingstoke - and is looking for more points.

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### Quick Clues Across

- 4 Appalled (6)  
8 Thorn (7)  
9 Try (6)  
10 Compelling (9)  
11 In this place (4)  
13 Performed (5)  
14 Gave (7)  
16 In place of (7)  
18 Way of speech (5)  
19 Poems (4)  
21 Doctor (9)  
22 Pictures (6)  
23 Venerated (7)  
24 Strives (6)

### Quick Clues Down

- 1 Surpass (9)  
2 Unforeseen events (9)  
3 Musical instrument (5)  
5 Insect (4)  
6 More spacious (6)  
7 In rows (6)  
9 Express contempt (5)  
11 Pains (9)  
12 Made new (9)  
15 Ways (5)  
16 Antiseptic (6)  
17 Calm (6)  
20 willow (5)  
21 Nuisance (4)

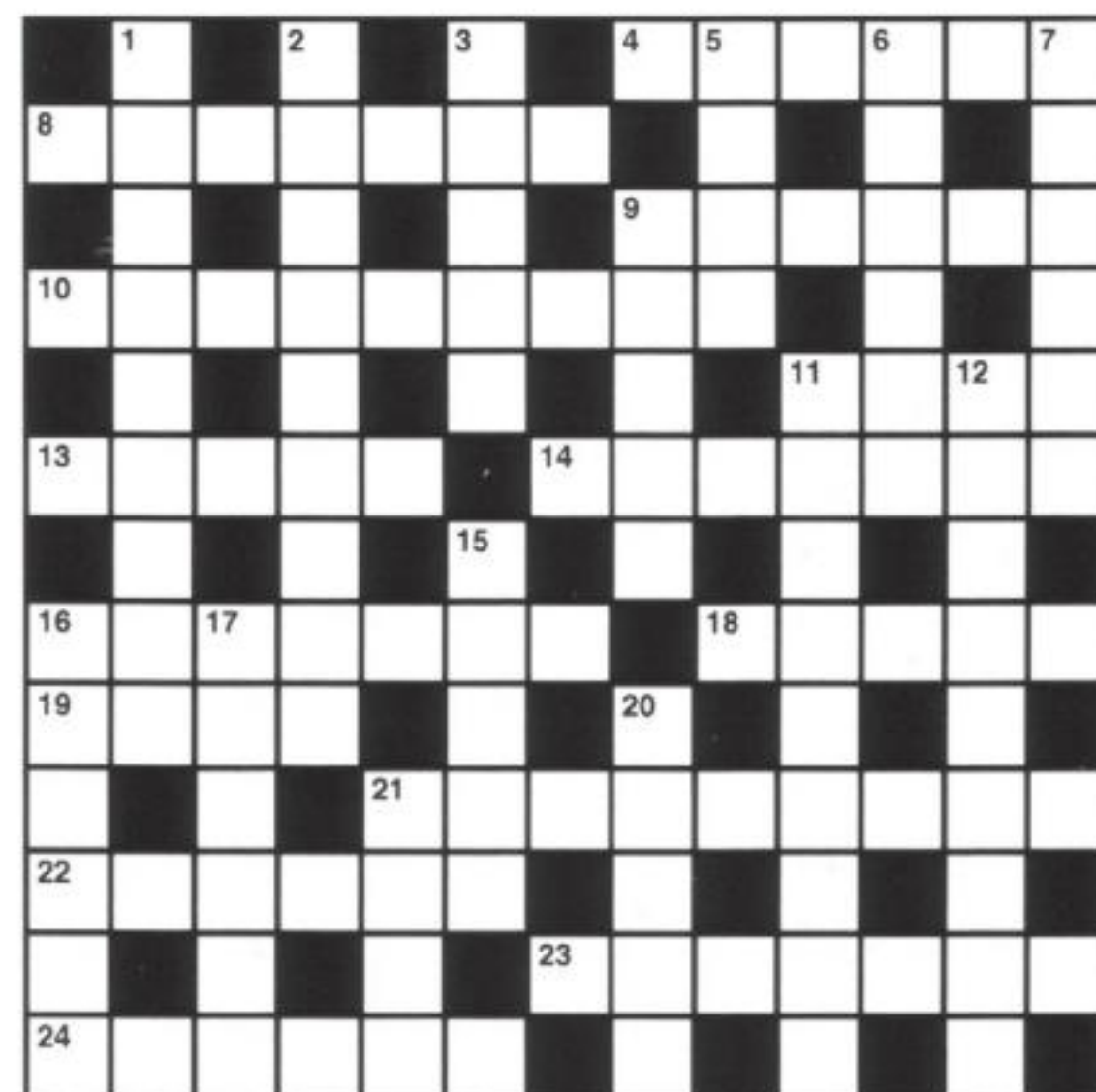
### Scribble space

### Cryptic Clues Across

- 4 A religious man can be firm (6)  
8 The 15 by which a judge might hold two thousand dollars? (7)  
9 Food for the parasite (6)  
10 Lock in the ones who are performers (9)  
11 A standard flower (4)  
13 Sudden thrust that with a quiet start could be a dive (5)  
14 To experience again the end of the ache inside will bring comfort (7)  
16 Rub around the climate (7)  
18 Deserve a different mitre (5)  
19 The editor, for example, goes back to the margin (4)  
21 Steady! Rye cocktails can bring back the recent past (9)  
22 Sounds like the larger type of mill (6)  
23 Exult about a Ulyssean author, by the sound of it (7)  
24 Discourages those who rested out (6)

### Cryptic Clues Down

- 1 Broke the great emperor, in short, about to do the old city (9)  
2 Amount to an opening round Mr Peck (9)  
3 Control the French wood (5)  
5 Hints on putting up a barbecue? (4)  
6 The clumsy performance of Napoleon initially in a call to war (6)  
7 Mere upset before the example arises to come into view (6)  
9 Break off relations with the visionary, and start a veto inside (5)  
11 Dismiss the evidence as being incombustible (9)  
12 Having overturned the cells, I do a jig - to celebrate the escape? (9)  
15 Bar the last head always (5)  
16 Firmly fixed as accidentally bordered (6)  
17 Horrified at what the flag has to show (6)  
20 Unqualified to speak? (5)  
21 Time the sun's beam comes up round the East (4)



## Sudoku

The objective is to fill a 9×9 grid with digits so that each column, each row, and each of the nine 3×3 sub-grids that compose the grid (also called "boxes", "blocks", "regions", or "sub-squares") contains all of the digits from 1 to 9. The puzzle setter provides a partially completed grid, which for a well-posed puzzle has a unique solution.

### EASY/MEDIUM/HARD

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### This week's solutions

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6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5
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**Quick Crossword**  
Across: 4 Aghast 8 Puddle 9 Sample 10 Insistent 11 Here  
13 Acted 14 Offered 17 Instead 18 Idiom 19 Odes  
21 Physician 22 Images 23 Reversed 24 Exerts  
Down: 1 Transcend 2 Accidents 3 Fute 5 Gnat 6 Ampler  
7 Tiered 9 Sniff 11 Headaches 12 Renovated 15 Paths  
16 Iodine 17 Sedate 20 Oiler 21 Pest  
Cryptic Crossword  
Across: 4 Stable 8 Trigger 9 Sponge 10 Actresses 11 Flag  
13 Lunge 14 Relieve 16 Weather 18 Mere 19 Edge 21 Yesterday  
22 Greater 23 Rejoice 24 Deters  
Down: 1 Fractured 2 Aggregate 3 Leash 5 Tips 6 Bungle  
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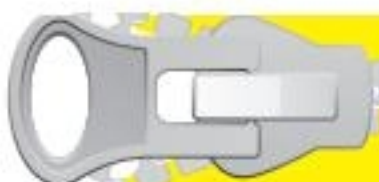
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	<b>Live Six Nations Rugby Union, 4.15pm</b> 	<b>Welcome to Hull: City of Culture 2017, 7pm</b> 	<b>Through the Keyhole, 9.20pm</b> 	<b>Penelope Keith's Hidden Villages, 7pm</b> 	<b>World's Biggest Diamond Heist, 10.30pm</b> 
<b>DAYTIME</b>	<b>6.00 Breakfast (S)</b> <b>10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live (S)</b> <b>11.30 The Best Dishes Ever (S)(R)</b> <b>12.00 Football Focus (S)</b> <b>1.00 BBC News; Weather (S)</b> <b>1.15 Nitro Athletics: Usain Bolt Takes on the World (S)</b> <b>2.00 Bargain Hunt (S)(R)</b> <b>2.30 FILM Shrek 2 (2004) (U)</b> <b>(S)</b> <b>3.55 BBC News (S)</b> <b>4.05 BBC Regional News; Weather (S)</b> <b>4.15 Live Six Nations Rugby Union (S)</b> <b>6.55 Let It Shine (S)</b>	<b>6.30 FILM Magic Town (1947) (U) (S)</b> <b>8.10 FILM The Lavender Hill Mob (1951) (U) (S)</b> <b>9.30 Coast (S)(R)</b> <b>10.00 Britain's Secret Seas (S)(R)</b> <b>11.00 Homes Under the Hammer (S)(R)</b> <b>12.00 A Cook Abroad: Tony Singh's India (S)(R)</b> <b>1.00 FILM Quo Vadis (1951) (PG) (S)</b> <b>3.45 Flog It! (S)(R)</b> <b>4.30 Final Score (S)</b> <b>5.30 Mastermind (S)(R)</b> <b>6.00 University Challenge (S)(R)</b> <b>6.30 Only Connect (S)(R)</b>	<b>6.00 CITV 7.30 Scrambled! 9.25 Alphabetical (S)(R)</b> <b>10.25 Guess This House (S)(R)</b> <b>11.25 River Monsters (S)(R)</b> <b>11.55 ITV News; Weather (S)</b> <b>12.00 Dance Dance Dance (S)(R)</b> <b>1.30 Live Six Nations Rugby Union (S)</b> <b>4.30 Tipping Point (S)(R)</b> <b>5.30 ITV Regional News; Weather (S)</b> <b>5.45 ITV News (S)</b> <b>6.00 You've Been Framed! To the Max!</b> High-octane comical mishaps captured on video by viewers. (S)	<b>6.20 The King of Queens (S)(R)</b> <b>7.10 Everybody Loves Raymond (S)(R)</b> <b>8.25 Frasier (S)(R)</b> <b>9.25 The Big Bang Theory (S)(R)</b> <b>10.50 The Simpsons (S)(R)</b> <b>11.55 Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast (S)(R)</b> <b>12.55 Come Dine with Me (S)(R)</b> <b>3.30 A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun (S)(R)</b> <b>4.35 Location, Location, Location (S)(R)</b> <b>5.35 Grand Designs (S)(R)</b> <b>6.30 Channel 4 News (S)</b>	<b>9.55 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles (S)(R)</b> <b>10.25 Access (R)</b> <b>10.30 Police Interceptors Unleashed (S)(R)</b> <b>11.00 Police Interceptors (S)(R)</b> <b>1.00 Benefits: Can't Work, Won't Work (S)(R)</b> <b>2.00 Benefits: 19 Kids and Counting the Cost (S)(R)</b> <b>3.00 The Nightmare Neighbour Next Door (S)(R)</b> <b>5.00 Nightmare Tenants, Slum Landlords (S)(R)</b> <b>6.00 Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away (S)(R)</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>7.55 Casualty</b> Elle must prove her worth on the day of her hearing. (S)	<b>7.00 Welcome to Hull: City of Culture 2017 (S)</b> <b>7.30 George ■ – The Genius of the Mad King (S)(R)</b>	<b>7.00 Ninja Warrior UK</b> Ben Shephard, Rochelle Humes and Chris Kamara host the penultimate edition of the obstacle-course contest. (S)	<b>7.00 Penelope Keith's Hidden Villages</b> Penelope visits Pembrokeshire. Last in the series. (S)(R)	<b>7.00 NCIS: Los Angeles</b> Deeks places his job in danger when he shoots and kills an unarmed man. (S)
<b>8</b>	<b>8.45 Let It Shine – The Results</b> The results of the viewer vote are revealed. (S)	<b>8.30 Dad's Army</b> The platoon competes for the honour of guarding Winston Churchill. (S)(R)	<b>8.00 The Voice UK</b> William, Tom Jones, Jennifer Hudson and Gavin Rossdale preside over the penultimate round of Blind Auditions. (S)	<b>8.00 Great Canal Journeys</b> Timothy West and Prunella Scales take a trip to Bristol. (S)(R)	<b>8.00 NCIS</b> A petty officer appears to have become the latest victim of a serial killer. (S) <b>8.55 5 News Weekend (S)</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>9.15 Taboo</b> Delaney's trading plans begin to unravel, and a shocking family revelation have an impact on not only James himself, but also his erstwhile allies, his household, and his family. (S)	<b>9.00 Terry Pratchett: Back in Black</b> Dramatised documentary, telling the life story of the celebrated fantasy author. (S) <b>9.50 QI XL</b> Extended episode, with Jo Brand and Clive Anderson. (S)	<b>9.20 Through the Keyhole</b> Fay Ripley, Steve Jones and Rochelle Humes form the studio panel, as Keith Lemon challenges them to guess which celebrity homes he has invaded this week. (S)	<b>9.00 FILM 2 Guns (2013) (15)</b> Two undercover agents become fugitives after a disastrous sting, but each thinks the other is a real criminal. Action adventure, starring Denzel Washington. (S)	<b>9.00 Football on 5: The Championship</b> George Riley and Lynsey Hipgrave introduce highlights from the weekend's games in the Championship. (S)
<b>10</b>	<b>10.15 BBC News; Weather; (S)</b> <b>National Lottery Update (S)</b> <b>10.30 Match of the Day</b> Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League matches. (S)	<b>10.35 FILM Behind the Candelabra (2013) (15)</b> Biopic of pianist Liberace. Directed by Steven Soderbergh and starring Michael Douglas and Matt Damon. (S)	<b>10.20 ITV News; Weather (S)</b> <b>10.35 FILM The Bourne Ultimatum (2007) (12)</b> Spy thriller sequel, starring Matt Damon, Julia Stiles and David Strathairn. (S)		<b>10.00 Football on 5: Goal Rush</b> Goals from the weekend's games in Leagues One and Two. (S) <b>10.30 World's Biggest Diamond Heist (S)</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>11.55 This Country</b> New series. Mockumentary presenting a wry look at the lives of young people in rural Britain. (S)			<b>11.10 FILM Riddick (2013) (15)</b> Sci-fi thriller sequel, starring Vin Diesel and Katee Sackhoff. (S)	<b>11.30 Police Interceptors Unleashed</b> A car thief rewrites the rules of the road. (S)(R)
<b>AFTER 12</b>	<b>12.20 FILM Passion (2012) (15)</b> Brian De Palma's thriller, with Rachel McAdams and Noomi Rapace. (S) <b>2.00 Weather for the Week Ahead (S)</b> <b>2.05 BBC News (S)</b>	<b>12.30 FILM A Royal Affair (2012) (15)</b> Historical drama, starring Mads Mikkelsen and Alicia Vikander. <b>2.40 This Is BBC Two (S)</b>	<b>12.40 Jackpot247 3.00 Who's Doing the Dishes? (S)(R)</b> <b>3.50 ITV Nightscreen</b>	<b>1.15 The Last Leg (S)(R)</b> <b>2.10 Hollyoaks (S)</b> <b>4.15 Building the Dream (S)</b> <b>5.05 Jamie's Comfort Food (S)(R)</b> <b>5.20 Phil: Secret Agent Down Under (S)(R)</b>	<b>12.00 SuperCasino 3.10 FILM Against All Flags (1952) (PG) (S)</b> <b>4.40 Access (R)</b> <b>4.50 House Doctor (S)(R)</b> <b>5.15 Nick's Quest (S)(R)</b> <b>5.40 Angels of Jarm (S)(R)</b> <b>5.50 Roary the Racing Car (S)(R)</b>



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## ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

**6.00** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **6.15** Emmerdale **8.45** Coronation Street **11.15** Ninja Warrior UK **12.15** Take Me Out **1.35** You've Been Framed! Gold **2.10** FILM: Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium (2007) (U) Fantasy comedy, starring Dustin Hoffman and Natalie Portman. **3.10** FYI Daily **3.15** FILM: Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium (2007) (U) Concluded. **4.00** FILM: Snow Dogs (2002) (PG) Comedy, starring Cuba Gooding Jr. **5.00** FYI Daily **5.05** FILM: Snow Dogs (2002) (PG) Concluded. **6.05** FILM: Evan Almighty (2007) (PG) Comedy sequel, starring Steve Carell **7.05** FYI Daily **7.10** FILM: Evan Almighty (2007) (PG) Concluded. **8.00** Scorpion **9.00** FILM: Shaun of the Dead (2004) (15) Comedy horror, starring Simon Pegg and Nick Frost. **10.00** FYI Daily **10.05** FILM: Shaun of the Dead (2004) (15) Concluded. **11.05** Family Guy **12.35** American Dad! **1.30** Release the Hounds: Famous & Freaked **2.25** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **2.50** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen

## ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

**6.00** On the Buses **6.25** Murder, She Wrote **9.25** Sherlock Holmes: The Sign of Four **11.40** FILM: Rest in Peace, Mrs Columbo (1990) (PG) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and Ian McShane. **1.45** Agatha Christie's Marple **3.55** Lewis **5.55** Midsomer Murders **8.00** Doc Martin **9.00** Midsomer Murders **11.00** Lewis **1.00** Blue Murder **1.55** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

## BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

**7.00** Natural World: Meet the Monkeys **8.00** A303: Highway to the Sun **9.00** Treasures of Ancient Egypt **10.00** The Young Montalbano **11.45** Top of the Pops: 1983 **12.50** The Joy of Disco **1.50** Boogie Fever: A TOTP2 Disco Special **3.20** Sounds of the 70s **3.50** Close

## E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

**6.00** Rude(ish) Tube **6.45** Young & Hungry **7.35** Melissa & Joey **8.35** Baby Daddy **9.35** The Goldbergs **10.30** FILM: Hop (2011) (U) Part-animated comedy, starring James Marsden. **12.30** How I Met Your Mother **1.30** Young & Hungry **2.30** The Goldbergs **5.00** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **5.30** The Big Bang Theory **9.00** FILM: Bridesmaids (2011) (15) Comedy, starring Kristen Wiig. **11.30** Gogglebox **1.40** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **2.35**

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The Inbetweeners **3.30** Virtually Famous - Tattoo Fixers vs Virtually Famous **4.10** Rude(ish) Tube **4.55** Revenge

## MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

**8.55** Come Dine with Me **11.35** Homes by the Sea **12.35** Location, Location, Location **1.40** Coast vs Country **2.45** Four in a Bed **5.25** Come Dine with Me **7.55** Return of the Black Death: Secret History **9.00** Catching a Killer - Crocodile Tears **10.00** 12 Year Old Lifer: True Stories **11.15** 24 Hours in A&E **12.20** 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown **1.20** Catching a Killer - Crocodile Tears **2.25** 12 Year Old Lifer: True Stories **3.35** Close

## FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

**11.00** Genevieve (1953) (U) Comedy, starring Dinah Sheridan. **1.00** Inkheart (2008) (PG) Fantasy adventure, starring Brendan Fraser. **3.05** ParaNorman (2012) (PG) Animated adventure, with the voice of Kodi Smit-McPhee. **4.55** Turner & Hooch (1989) (PG) Family canine comedy, starring Tom Hanks. **6.55** Volcano (1997) (12) Disaster thriller, starring Tommy Lee Jones. **9.00** Super 8 (2011) (12) Sci-fi thriller, starring Joel Courtney. **11.15** The Texas Chainsaw Massacre 2 (1986) (18) Horror sequel, starring Dennis Hopper. **1.20** Machete Kills (2013) (15) Action thriller sequel, starring Danny Trejo. **3.35** Close

## DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

**7.15** Storage Hunters **10.00** Steve Austin's Broken Skull Challenge **12.00** Red Bull Soapbox Race 2015: London **2.00** QI XL **4.00** Storage Hunters UK **7.00** Not Going Out **9.00** FILM: The Full Monty (1997) (15) Comedy, starring Robert Carlyle. **11.00** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **1.00** Not Going Out **2.20** Suits **3.10** Live at the Electric **4.00** Close

## DRAMA SKY: 158 FV: 20

**7.10** Tenko **11.00** Sharpe **1.00** Tenko **5.00** One Foot in the Grave **7.00** Hetty Wainthropp Investigates **8.00** Jonathan Creek **9.00** Wallander **11.00** Waking the Dead **1.30** Hetty Wainthropp Investigates **2.00** The Shadow in the North **4.00** Home Shopping

## SKY1 SKY: 106

**6.00** Ashley Banjo's Big Town Dance **7.00** Monkey Business **7.30** Futurama **8.00** The Big Spell **9.00** The Fantasy Football Club **10.00** Soccer AM **11.30** What's Up **12.00** Portrait Artist of the Year 2017 **1.00** Futurama **2.00** Modern Family **4.30** The Great Wall

Special **5.00** Supergirl **6.00** The Flash **7.00** MacGyver **8.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **9.00** FILM: Beverly Hills Cop II (1987) (15) Comedy thriller sequel, starring Eddie Murphy. **11.00** DC's Legends of Tomorrow **12.00** Arrow **1.00** Duck Quacks Don't Echo **2.00** Police Force: Australia **4.00** Stop, Search, Seize **5.00** Road Wars

## SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

**6.00** The West Wing **11.00** David Attenborough's Conquest of the Skies **3.00** Without a Trace **8.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** Game of Thrones **11.20** Real Time with Bill Maher **12.30** Bright Lights: Starring Carrie Fisher And Debbie Reynolds **2.20** The Wire **3.40** The Brink **4.15** The Petrol Age

## W SKY: 109

**6.00** Resurrection **6.50** Million Dollar Intern **7.50** The Bill **12.50** EastEnders **4.00** Extreme Makeover: Home Edition **6.00** My Family **8.00** Inside the Ambulance **9.00** FILM: Indecent Proposal (1993) (15) Drama, with Robert Redford and Demi Moore. **11.30** Motorway Cops **12.50** The Strain **1.40** Katherine Mills: Mind Games **2.30** Betty White's Off Their Rockers **3.00** Home Shopping

## GOLD SKY: 110

**7.00** Cheers **8.00** Blandings **8.40** Open All Hours **10.00** To the Manor Born **11.20** Last of the Summer Wine **12.40** Only Fools and Horses **9.00** Miranda **11.00** Stewart Lee's Comedy Vehicle **12.20** Rob Brydon Live **1.25** Bill Hicks - One Night Stand **2.05** Stella Street **2.25** Nighty Night **3.00** Stella Street **3.10** Nighty Night **4.00** Home Shopping

## SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

**6.00** Football Gold **7.00** Premier League Legends **8.00** Sporting Records **8.30** Premier League Preview **9.00** The Fantasy Football Club **10.00** Soccer AM **11.30** Live Premier League. Arsenal v Hull City (kick-off 12.30pm). Coverage of the top-flight fixture, which takes place at the Emirates Stadium. **3.00** Gillette Soccer Saturday. Jeff Stelling is joined by a panel of former players to preside over the day's football action, including previews of the top games and up-to-the-minute scores. **5.15** Live EFL. Wolverhampton Wanderers v Newcastle United (kick-off 5.30pm). Coverage of the Championship encounter, which takes place at Molineux. **8.00** EFL Goals **8.30** Nissan Game of the Day **10.30** Nissan Match Choice **11.30** Premier League Highlights



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# Sunday February 12<sup>th</sup>

	BBC1	BBC2	ITV	Channel 4	Channel 5
	 <p><b>6.00 Breakfast</b> (S) <b>7.30 Match of the Day</b> (S)(R) <b>9.00 The Andrew Marr Show</b> (S) <b>10.00 The Big Questions</b> (S) <b>11.00 Sunday Politics</b> (S) <b>12.15 Bargain Hunt</b> (S)(R) <b>1.00 BBC News; Weather</b> (S) <b>1.15 Spy in the Wild</b> (S)(R) <b>2.15 Live Six Nations Rugby Union</b> (S) <b>5.00 Songs of Praise</b> (S) <b>5.35 BBC News</b> (S) <b>5.50 BBC Regional News; Weather</b> (S) <b>6.00 The Big Painting Challenge</b> (S)</p>	 <p><b>8.45 Countryfile</b> (S)(R) <b>9.45 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites</b> (S) <b>11.15 Nigel Slater's Dish of the Day</b> (S)(R) <b>11.45 Nigellissima</b> (S)(R) <b>12.15 MOTD2 Extra</b> (S) <b>1.00 Nitro Athletics: Usain Bolt Takes on the World</b> (S) <b>2.00 FILM The Winslow Boy</b> (1999) (U) (S) <b>3.40 Money for Nothing</b> (S)(R) <b>4.10 Flog It!</b> (S)(R) <b>5.00 Ski Sunday</b> (S) <b>5.45 FILM Catch Me If You Can</b> (2002) (12) (S)</p>	 <p><b>9.25 ITV News</b> (S) <b>9.30 Countrywise</b> (S)(R) <b>10.00 Peston on Sunday</b> (S) <b>11.00 Gino's Italian Escape: Hidden Italy</b> (S)(R) <b>11.30 Chopping Block</b> (S)(R) <b>12.30 ITV News</b> (S) <b>12.40 FILM Murder on the Orient Express</b> (1974) (PG) (S) <b>3.05 All Star Family Fortunes</b> (S)(R) <b>3.50 Ninja Warrior UK</b> (S)(R) <b>4.50 The Voice UK</b> (S)(R) <b>6.00 ITV Regional News</b> (S) <b>6.10 ITV News</b> (S) <b>6.30 Dance Dance Dance</b> (S)</p>	 <p><b>6.15 The King of Queens</b> (S)(R) <b>7.05 Everybody Loves Raymond</b> (S)(R) <b>8.30 Frasier</b> (S)(R) <b>9.30 Sunday Brunch</b> (S) <b>12.30 The Simpsons</b> (S)(R) <b>1.30 George Clarke's Amazing Spaces</b> (S)(R) <b>2.35 A Place in the Sun: Summer Sun</b> (S)(R) <b>3.40 Location, Location, Location</b> (S)(R) <b>4.45 Channel 4 News</b> (S) <b>5.15 FILM Mrs Doubtfire</b> (1993) (12) Comedy, with Robin Williams. (S)</p>	 <p><b>6.00 Milkshake!</b> <b>9.55 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles</b> (S)(R) <b>10.30 Football on 5: The Championship</b> (S)(R) <b>11.20 Football on 5: Goal Rush</b> (S)(R) <b>11.50 Police Interceptors: Unleashed</b> (S)(R) <b>12.15 Police Interceptors</b> (S)(R) <b>2.15 Police Interceptors: Smash &amp; Grab</b> (S)(R) <b>3.10 FILM Jackie Chan's The Medallion</b> (2003) (PG) (S) <b>5.00 FILM The Last Airbender</b> (2010) (PG) (S)</p>
<b>7</b>	<b>7.00 Countryfile</b> Reports on the latest rural developments. Including weather for the week ahead. (S)			<b>7.30 The Jump</b> The contestants compete in snowcross. Presented by Davina McCall. (S)	<b>7.00 Magic Makes You Laugh Out Loud</b> Internet videos of magic tricks going horribly wrong. (S) <b>7.55 5 News Weekend</b> (S)
<b>8</b>	<b>8.00 Call the Midwife</b> A woman expecting her third child realises she cannot afford to care for her baby. (S)	<b>8.00 Dragons' Den</b> The panel considers the profit-making potential of a male grooming enterprise. (S)	<b>8.00 Lion Country: Night and Day</b> The two prides find their territories overlapping. (S)		<b>8.00 On Benefits: To Heat or to Eat? That's the Question</b> New series. A father of six cannot afford to both feed his family and heat their home. (S)
<b>9</b>	<b>9.00 British Academy Film Awards 2017</b> Stephen Fry hosts the awards ceremony live from the Royal Albert Hall. (S)	<b>9.00 Special Forces - Ultimate Hell Week</b> The remaining contestants undergo training by a former master sergeant of the US Army's Green Berets. (S)	<b>9.00 The Good Karma Hospital</b> A mysterious man is found washed up on the beach. Ruby gets to grips with her new routine at the hospital, but begins to question Gabriel's conduct. (S)	<b>9.00 Homeland</b> While Carrie handles her client, and Saul's trip takes a dramatic turn. Claire Danes and Rupert Friend star. (S)	<b>9.00 Amy Winehouse: The Last Hours Of</b> Dr Jason Payne-James investigates the circumstances surrounding the singer's death in July 2011. (S)(R)
<b>10</b>		<b>10.00 Match of the Day 2</b> Jason Mohammad reviews the day's Premier League action, which featured Burnley v Chelsea at Turf Moor. (S)	<b>10.00 ITV News; Weather</b> (S) <b>10.20 Six Nations Highlights</b> Including action from Wales v England. (S)	<b>10.05 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown</b> Jon Richardson and David Mitchell take on Joe Wilkinson and Roisin Conaty. (S)(R)	<b>10.00 Most Shocking Moments in Pop 2</b> Celebrating outrageous events from the world of pop music, including Grace Jones hitting Russell Harty on his chat show. (S)(R)
<b>11</b>	<b>11.00 BBC News</b> (S) <b>11.20 BBC Regional News; Weather</b> (S) <b>11.30 American High School</b> New series. (S)	<b>11.00 Live at the Apollo</b> (S)(R) <b>11.45 Women's Six Nations Highlights</b> Action from the second round of fixtures. (S)	<b>11.15 Premiership Rugby Union</b> Mark Durden-Smith and David Flatman present action from the latest top-flight fixtures.	<b>11.00 FILM 127 Hours</b> (2010) (15) Danny Boyle's fact-based drama, with James Franco and Kate Mara. (S)	
<b>AFTER 12</b>	<b>12.10 The Celebrity Apprentice USA</b> (S) <b>12.55 The Celebrity Apprentice USA</b> (S) <b>1.35 Weather for the Week Ahead</b> (S) <b>1.40 BBC News</b> (S)	<b>12.15 FILM All Good Things</b> (2010) (15) Crime drama, starring Ryan Gosling and Kirsten Dunst. (S) <b>1.50 Sign Zone: Question Time</b> (S)(R) <b>2.50 Holby City</b> (S)(R) <b>3.50 This Is BBC Two</b> (S)	<b>12.15 Jackpot247</b> <b>3.00 Chopping Block</b> (S)(R) <b>3.50 ITV Nightscreen</b> <b>5.05 The Jeremy Kyle Show</b> (S)(R)	<b>12.50 How to Get Fit Fast</b> (S)(R) <b>1.40 I Do At 92</b> (S)(R) <b>2.35 Hoarder SOS</b> (S) <b>3.25 Building the Dream</b> (S) <b>4.15 Phil: Secret Agent Down Under</b> (S)(R) <b>5.05 Phil: Secret Agent Down Under</b> (S)(R)	<b>1.00 SuperCasino</b> <b>3.10 Secrets of the National Trust</b> with Alan Titchmarsh (S)(R) <b>4.00 World's Most Pampered Pets</b> (S)(R) <b>4.50 House Doctor</b> (S)(R) <b>5.15 Nick's Quest</b> (S)(R) <b>5.40 Angels of Jarm</b> (S)(R) <b>5.50 Roary the Racing Car</b> (S)(R)

## DIGITAL

### ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6

**6.00** You've Been Framed! Gold **6.25** Emmerdale **9.10** Coronation Street **11.40** The Voice UK **1.00** 2Awesome **1.05** 2Awesome: Guidance **1.40** 2Awesome: Fame High **2.00** 2Awesome: Third Wheel **2.30** 2Awesome: LA Story **2.50** FILM: The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement (2004) (U) Family comedy sequel, starring Anne Hathaway. **3.50** FYI Daily **3.55** FILM: The Princess Diaries 2: Royal Engagement (2004) (U) Concluded. **5.10** FILM: The Haunted Mansion (2003) (PG) Comedy, starring Eddie Murphy. **6.10** FYI Daily **6.15** FILM: The Haunted Mansion (2003) (PG) Concluded. **7.00** FILM: Coyote Ugly (2000) (12) Comedy drama, starring Piper Perabo. **8.00** FYI Daily **8.05** FILM: Coyote Ugly (2000) (12) Concluded. **9.00** Ibiza Weekender **10.00** Family Guy **11.30** American Dad! **12.30** The Cleveland Show **1.30** Ibiza Weekender **2.20** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen

### ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10

**6.00** On the Buses **6.25** Murder, She Wrote **8.25** Heartbeat **10.35** Sherlock Holmes: The Master Blackmailer **12.55** FILM: Columbo: Butterfly in Shades of Grey (1993) (PG) Crime drama, starring Peter Falk and William Shatner. **2.55** FILM: Carry On Matron (1972) (PG) Comedy, starring Sid James. **3.55** FYI Daily **4.00** FILM: Carry On Matron (1972) (PG) Concluded. **4.45** Wycliffe **5.55** This Time Next Year **7.00** Midsomer Murders **9.00** Tonight at the London Palladium **10.00** Birds of a Feather **10.30** Joanna Lumley: The Search for Noah's Ark **12.00** A Touch of Frost **3.35** May the Best House Win **5.20** On the Buses **5.45** ITV3 Nightscreen

### BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9

**7.00** Wagner's Ring Cycle **9.35** James May at the Edge of Space **10.05** The Sky at Night **10.35** The Horizon Guide to Space Shuttles **11.35** British History's Biggest Fibs with Lucy Worsley **12.35** Michael Grade's History of the Pantomime Dame **1.35** Len Goodman's Big Band Bonanza **2.35** Horizon: The Core **3.35** Close

### E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28

**6.00** Rude(ish) Tube **6.20** How I Met Your Mother **7.05** Melissa & Joey **8.00** Baby Daddy **8.55** The Goldbergs **9.25** Hollyoaks **11.55** Coach Trip: Road to Marbs **2.35** The Jump **4.05** The Big Bang Theory: Bromance **7.00** FILM: Men in Black (1997) (PG) Sci-fi comedy, starring Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones. **9.00** Marvel's Agents

of SHIELD **10.00** FILM: Your Highness (2011) (15) Fantasy comedy, starring Danny McBride. **12.00** Tattoo Fixers **1.05** The Inbetweeners **2.15** Gogglebox **3.10** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **3.55** Hollyoaks

### MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14

**8.55** Building the Dream **10.00** Coastal Walks with My Dog **11.00** Vet on the Hill **12.00** Come Dine with Me **2.40** Four in a Bed **5.20** Come Dine with Me **7.55** Car SOS **9.00** Father Ted **10.00** Lee Mack: Hit the Road Mack **11.05** The Big Fat Quiz of Everything **12.45** 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown **1.50** Father Ted **2.55** Car SOS **3.50** Close

### FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15

**11.00** The Black Swan (1942) (PG) Swashbuckling adventure, with Tyrone Power. **1.00** Tooth (2004) (U) Children's fantasy adventure, starring Yasmin Paige. **2.45** Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer (2011) (PG) Comedy, starring Jordana Beatty. **4.30** Carry On Spying (1964) (U) Comedy, starring Kenneth Williams. **6.15** Billy Lynn's Long Halftime Walk Interview Special **6.25** Life of Pi (2012) (PG) Adventure, starring Suraj Sharma. **9.00** Non-Stop (2014) (12) Action thriller, starring Liam Neeson. **11.05** Black Mountain Poets (2015) (15) Comedy drama, starring Alice Lowe and Dolly Wells. **12.55** Prevenge Interview Special **1.05** Wish You Were Here (1987) (15) **3.00** Close

### DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12

**7.10** Top Gear **8.00** Top Gear India Special **10.00** Steve Austin's Broken Skull Challenge **11.00** Motorway Cops **12.00** Jay Leno's Garage **2.00** Top Gear **5.00** Red Bull Soapbox Race **6.00** Top Gear Winter Olympics Special **7.00** Top Gear India Special **9.00** Have I Got a Bit More News for You **10.00** Suits **11.00** Dave Gorman: Modern Life Is Goodish **12.00** Crackanory **12.40** Room 101 **1.20** Mock the Week **2.00** Suits **2.50** Live at the Electric **4.00** Close

### DRAMA SKY: 158 FV: 20

**7.10** New Tricks **8.00** The Bill **12.00** Sense and Sensibility **4.00** Catherine Cookson's The Gambling Man **7.00** New Tricks **9.00** Silent Witness **11.10** Spooks **1.10** Catherine Cookson's The Gambling Man **4.00** Home Shopping

### SKY1 SKY: 106

**6.00** Hour of Power **7.00** Futurama **9.00** Supergirl **10.00** The Flash **11.00** WWE Raw Hlts **12.00** The Lego

Batman Movie: Special **12.30** Futurama **2.00** Modern Family **5.00** The Simpsons **5.30** The Big Spell **6.30** The Simpsons **8.00** Freddie Down Under **9.00** Hawaii Five-0 **10.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **11.00** MacGyver **12.00** The Force: Essex **1.00** Air Ambulance ER **2.00** Police Force: Australia **4.00** Stop, Search, Seize **5.00** Road Wars

### SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108

**6.00** The West Wing **11.00** Without a Trace **4.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** Fortitude **10.00** FILM: Going Clear: Scientology and the Prison of Belief (2015) (15) Documentary exploring the history and actions of the Church of Scientology's leaders. **12.15** True Detective **1.30** The Wire **2.50** The Brink **4.00** The Petrol Age

### W SKY: 109

**6.10** Resurrection **7.00** Your Home in Their Hands **8.25** James Martin: Yorkshire's Finest **9.00** MasterChef USA **1.00** Motorway Cops **2.00** Doctor Who **4.00** My Family **6.00** Outnumbered **8.00** Honey I Bought the House **9.00** Celebrity Advice Bureau **10.00** Sherlock **12.00** Code Black **1.00** Inside the Ambulance **1.50** The Strain **2.40** Betty White's Off Their Rockers **3.00** Home Shopping

### GOLD SKY: 110

**7.00** Cheers **8.00** Blandings **8.40** One Foot in the Grave **10.00** Only Fools and Horses **8.20** Fawlty Towers **9.00** Gavin & Stacey Christmas Special **10.20** Gavin & Stacey **11.00** The Thick of It **12.20** Limmy's Show **1.40** House of Fools **2.50** Nighty Night **4.00** Home Shopping

### SKY SPORTS 1 SKY: 401

**6.00** Premier League Highlights **9.00** The Sunday Supplement **10.30** Goals on Sunday **12.30** Live Nissan Super Sunday, Burnley v Chelsea (kick-off 1.30pm). **3.30** Live Nissan Super Sunday, Swansea City v Leicester City (kick-off 4.00pm). All the action from the Premier League meeting at the Liberty Stadium. **7.00** EFL Goals **7.30** Spanish Football Gold **7.40** Live La Liga Football, Atletico Madrid v Celta Vigo (kick-off 7.45pm). **9.40** Spanish Football Gold **10.00** Premier League Highlights **11.00** Scottish Cup Football **11.30** Goals on Sunday **12.30** Premier League Highlights **1.30** Scottish Cup Football **2.00** Premier League Highlights **3.00** One2Eleven: Ray Houghton **3.15** One2Eleven: Tony Casciaro **3.30** One2Eleven: Ian Harte **3.45** One2Eleven: Michael O'Neill **4.00** Premier League Highlights



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## Ian sees the funny side of thriller

By James Richings

HE is best known for playing a soap opera bad boy and more recently a comedian's obsessive fan, and his latest role offers you a glimpse of the two.

Former Emmerdale actor Ian Sharrock stars in the critically acclaimed production *Raffles - The Mystery of the Murdered Thief*, which will be at The Haymarket from Wednesday, February 15 to Saturday, February 18.

Notorious thieves, Harry 'Bunny' Manders (Sharrock) and A J 'Cracksman' Raffles (Nicholas Gilbrook) have been stealing from the good people of Britain in the 1900s.

Manders is convinced that his partner in crime drowned while embarking on a theft overseas, but he is shocked to see Raffles has put an advertisement in the local paper.

"Even though it is a thriller there will be comedy because I'm in it," he gleefully told the Observer.

"It's a thriller with lots of surprises for the audience and it is laced with a healthy dose of comedy as well.

"What makes it great is that this is suitable for any age and there is no foul language - so it's a cracking good yarn."

Ian added: "It's very fun to do because I've played similar characters like this in my career before like when

• Ian Sharrock as thief Harry Manders in *Raffles - The Mystery of the Murdered Thief*



I was in I'm Alan Partridge.

"So my preparation for this role was easy, I just learnt my lines.

"Preparation acting wise, the police haven't caught me yet!"

An actor for nearly 50 years, Ian's most notable role to date was when he played Emmerdale villain Jackie Merrick from 1980 to 1989.

The departure from the soap opera led Ian to stage work, but when he

appeared on I'm Alan Partridge as Alan's most obsessed fan Jed Maxwell in 1995, he was an instant hit.

He told the Observer that his one month stint on the show was 'an experience'.

"Being on I'm Alan Partridge was one hell of an experience because there was no script, it was all improvised," he said.

"This terrified me because I am an

actor - I take other people's lines and make something from them but Steve (Coogan) was marvellous to work with.

"He was very generous, patient and helpful and when we finished shooting once, he turned to me and said 'I'm never going to work with you again Ian.' I asked why, and he said, 'you're too funny'. It was very rewarding and I loved it."

Tickets cost from £13 to £24.

## Reliving the glory days of the '60s

DURING the swinging '60s, The Beach Boys were one of the most successful bands of the decade.

Millions of record sales, numerous number one hits around the world and thousands of fans made them one of the most popular groups of all time.

And you can relive their glory when tribute group The Bootleg Beach Boys arrive at The Anvil on Thursday, February 16.

Made up of Joe Mullins, Damian Butler, Mark Maguire, Joe Leech and Fran King, the group from Ireland will perform some of the Beach Boys' most recognisable tracks such as, I Get Around, Good Vibrations and Do It Again, at the Churchill Way venue.

Damian, who plays lead singer Mike Love, told the Observer: "The Beach Boys have inspired me and the other guys so much from when we were learning/picking apart each song.

"This was when we heard the genius that went into the music.

"And on the night, expect a full two hour show of perfectly harmonised Beach Boys classics with three costume changes."

The concert starts at 7.45pm and tickets cost £20.50.

## Enjoy The Bare Necessities

By James Richings

BALOO, Mowgli, Bagheera and the whole gang will be at The Haymarket on Saturday, February 11 as *The Jungle Book* arrives in Basingstoke.

Mowgli lives in a jungle where he befriends a number of animals including Baloo the Bear, Bagheera the Panther and Kaa the Python.

The three creatures teach the youngster how to survive in the wild and that he should be careful when facing some of the jungle's predators - monkeys, cobras and tigers.

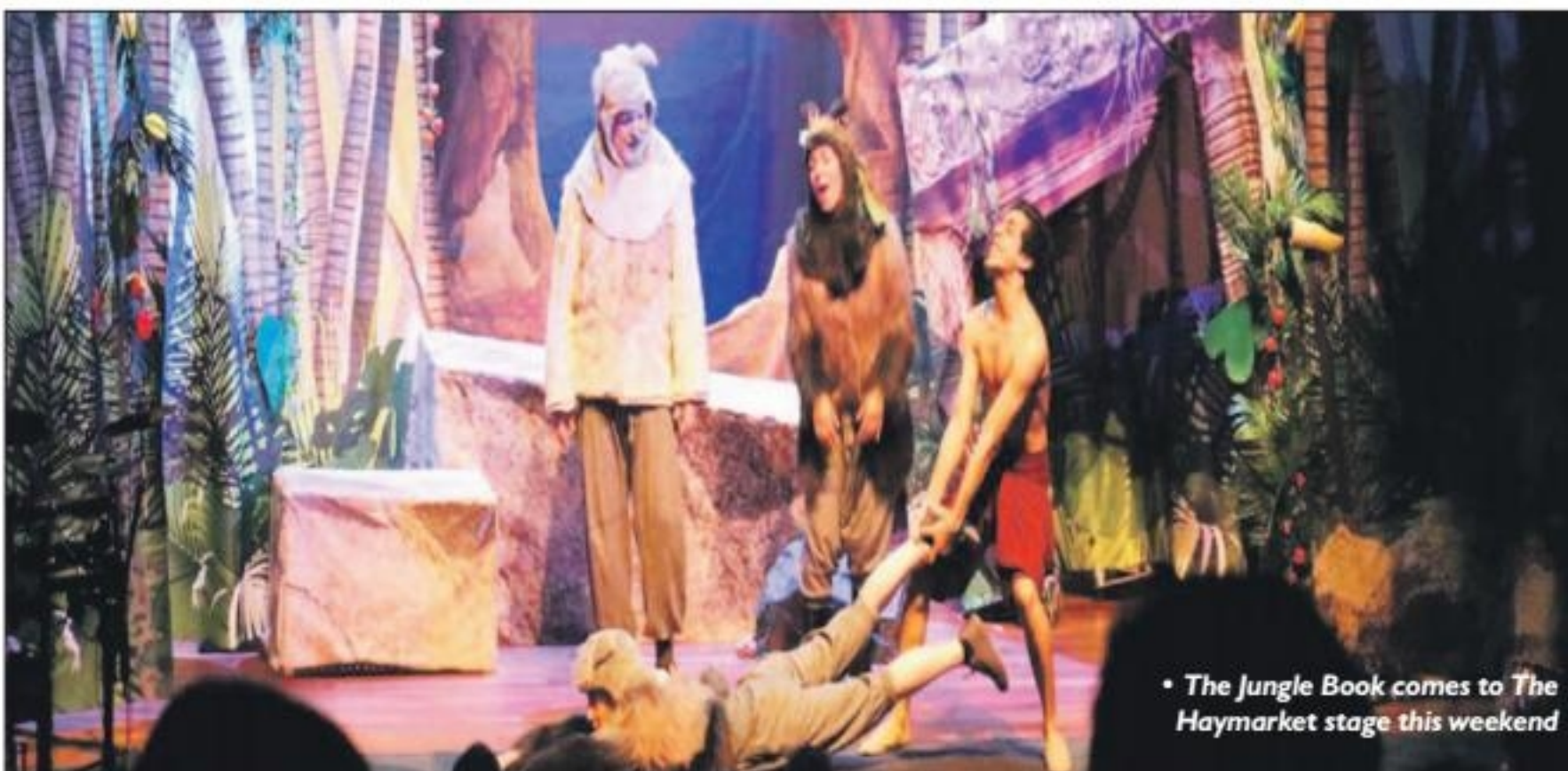
But Miranda Heath, who plays Mother Wolf, Bagheera the Panther and Otherone in the Oddsocks Productions show, doesn't want to give too much away.

"My favourite scene is a secret," she coyly told the Observer.

"After that I'd say the scene with the Banderlog Monkeys and Horis... it's so very silly.

"So the show is suitable for anyone aged five to 105, but I don't want to give it away."

The original version of *The Jungle Book* was written by author and journalist Rudyard Kipling in 1894, with the book containing a number of stories focusing on Mowgli's moral teachings when living in the jungle.



• *The Jungle Book* comes to The Haymarket stage this weekend

The popularity of the book spread in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, with the stories eventually being adapted for the stage and big screen.

The most famous adaption of the book was the 1967 Walt Disney Animation Studios film version, which included many memorable songs such as *The Bare Necessities*.

A live action Walt Disney Pictures version was released last year star-

ring Ben Kingsley, Idris Elba and Bill Murray.

But Miranda insists this is not a version inspired by the Disney adaptations, and said: "The audience can expect the original Kipling story as opposed to Disney's version with huge laughs, a little audience participation, music and songs (some known, some unknown) and some wonderful surprises along the way.

"And the best thing about performing to an audience is that you get to take them on a journey, and the journey's different each time.

"You tell them a story, let them forget about work, bills or current affairs and just share with them our production and hopefully they'll have a few chuckles along the way."

The show will start at 2.30pm and tickets cost £12.

## Anton and Erin

**DANCE:** Anton du Beke and Erin Boag will be at The Anvil on Friday, February 10.

The ballroom stars will dance at the Churchill Way venue as part of their *Swing Time* tour, accompanied by the 25-piece London Concert Orchestra.

Tickets cost from £40.50 to £48.50, and the show starts at 7.45pm.

## Heard the rumour?

**MUSIC:** The Rumours of Fleetwood Mac will arrive at The Anvil on Saturday, February 18.

The group of musicians will perform popular tracks such as *The Chain*, *Dreams*, *Don't Stop*, *Landslide* and many more next Saturday.

The concert will start at 8pm and tickets cost from £25.50 to £35.50.

## Gritty drama

**FILM:** The multi-award winning movie *I, Daniel Blake* will be screened at the Phoenix Theatre and Arts Centre in Bordon on Wednesday, February 15.

Daniel Blake (Dave Johns) suffers a heart attack at work but is deemed fit to work and loses his state welfare.

Tickets cost from £4 to £5.50 and it begins at 7.30pm.

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**Fri, Feb 3 - Thu, Feb 9**  
Corn Exchange Cinema, Newbury  
**A MONSTER CALLS**

Every night Conor is visited by a monster (Liam Neeson) who promises to help him. Director Bayona (The Impossible) delivers a visual spectacle that is always rooted in truthful emotion, earning comparisons to Pan's Labyrinth.

**Thu, Feb 9, 8pm**  
Arlington Arts Centre, Newbury  
**3FALL DANCE COMPANY**

3Fall Dance Company is a non-profit making company that has been running successfully for over ten years. Being residents at the University of Chichester, the company is made up of 15 final year students, all studying a BA (Hons) Dance Degree. The Spring Tour will include a variety of works from both professional and emerging choreographers; Ceyda Tanc, Richard Chappell and Victoria Fox.

**Fri, Feb 10 - Thu, Feb 16**  
Corn Exchange Cinema, Newbury  
**DENIAL**

In 1993 American academic Deborah Lipstadt dubbed British historian David Irving "one of the most dangerous spokespersons for Holocaust denial".

Irving was well known for his outspoken pronouncements, which included declaring that there had never been gas chambers at Auschwitz. Lipstadt was stunned then, when he sued her for libel. Their landmark battle is the subject of this compelling courtroom drama scripted by David Hare.

**Fri, Feb 10, 7.45pm**  
The Anvil, Basingstoke  
**ANTON & ERIC: SWING TIM**  
Join the nation's favourite ballroom couple as Anton du Beke and Erin Boag as they return with an exciting new show for 2017.

**Fri, Feb 10, 7.45pm**  
Corn Exchange, Newbury  
**BEYOND THE BARRICADE**  
Beyond the Barricade has delighted audiences throughout the UK and mainland Europe for more than a decade, with its exciting concert portrayal of the greatest songs in musical theatre, all performed totally live! Recreating original West End/Broadway musical hit songs with amazing authenticity, this cast of past principal performers from Les Miserables, present a blockbusting two hour show, and is now established as the nation's favourite musical theatre concert.

**Fri, Feb 10, 8pm**  
The Forge, Basingstoke  
**NATHAN BELL**

Nathan Bell's musical journey began in Boston. By 1983, he'd formed the duo Bell & Shore with then-wife Susan Shore. The two scored a record deal, began touring heavily, and eventually released two great records. The second, L-Ranko Motel, scored a rave review from Rolling Stone. When their marriage and musical partnership ended in 1989, he headed for Nashville, to pursue a promising solo career, but ended up taking a break from music for 15 years.

**Fri, Feb 10, 8pm**  
New Greenham Arts Centre, Newbury  
**THE DARK ROOM**

You, the audience must choose an option - Will you A) Find the Light Switch. B) Cry for Help C) Go North? Come and play the world's only live action text based adventure game, the fate is in your hands!

**Sat, Feb 11, 2.30pm**  
The Anvil, Basingstoke  
**THE JUNGLE BOOK**  
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When we arrived it had recently been raining and was rather windy, so we started our

day in the huge barn which contained climbing frames, go karts, a ball pit and animal pens. The children were keen to see the animals (we have four grandchildren aged from 3 to 12). When we got to the animal pens there were pigs, ponies, rabbits, sheep, and, of course Fred the ferret! Fred was being walked at that time and the children took turns to walk him around the pens. The keeper Carl was so passionate about his animals and took great delight in telling us all about Fred and his friends.

One other thing to note is

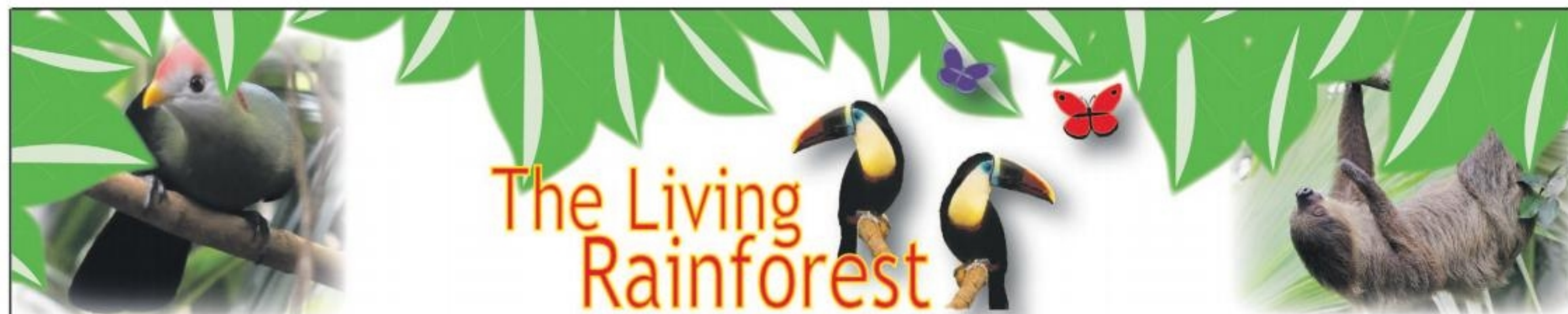
that once you have paid your entrance ticket, everything is free, which, considering all the children made good use of all the rides, was excellent value for money. The go karts proved very popular indeed!

After lunch the weather improved and we ventured out into the large outdoor area, with bouncy castles, slides, more animals, trampolines just to mention a few!

Overall we found the staff there extremely friendly and helpful, especially with the children, who thoroughly enjoyed the whole day. We will be returning there again, maybe on a warmer day where we will be able to enjoy the outside facilities even more.

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By **Tony Yates**

THE Subaru Legacy Outback was introduced to the world back in 1995, and was for me one of the world's first crossovers - because it had managed to successfully combine the benefits of a passenger estate with the all-road capabilities of an SUV.

Since its introduction, the Outback has acted as Subaru's flagship model in the UK, winning praise for its practical, all-road nature as well as winning the hearts and minds of whoever took to the wheel.

We are now into 2017 - and the fifth generation Subaru Outback you see before you sports a modern exterior design, a significantly higher quality interior than most, along with a raft of safety technology.

### POWER AND EFFICIENCY

The Outback was equipped with an efficient 2.0-litre Boxer Diesel engine - a unit that provides you with a maximum power of 150 PS and a torque figure of 350NM. On the combined cycle I achieved 46mpg which is quite impressive and if you are at all interested in

maximum speed - then it comes in at around 119mph and 0-62mph in 9.9s.

Outback buyers also have the option to choose a 175PS naturally-aspirated 2.5-litre petrol engine which has been engineered for greater environmental friendliness and more accessible power, but I would opt for the Diesel every time as I feel it's the better choice out of the two units.

### ON THE ROAD

The Outback feels great on any road surface and that's thanks to its predictable handling and smooth ride. Remember the Outback also has some of the best off-road capabilities and is in itself an effortless car to drive thanks mainly to the Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive layout, which helps further increase the Outback's off-road credentials even over some of the toughest terrains.

I was also genuinely astonished how sure footed the Outback felt - even when pushed to the limit. I can clearly see now why so many outdoor family's choose own one as a second car.

### DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

Some of standard equipment on

the Outback comes in the form of: Automatic LED headlamps, LED tail lamps, 17-inch aluminium alloy wheels, protective body cladding, wheel mounted gearshift paddles, automatic air conditioning system, tyre pressure monitoring system, 5.0-inch EyeSight LCD driver display, 7 airbags, ABS with Electronic Brake-force Distribution, Thatcham Cat 1 alarm Immobiliser, Symmetrical All-Wheel Drive, Vehicle Dynamics Control, Hill Start Assist and Active Torque Vectoring.

Entertainment, you also get a 7.0-inch touch screen infotainment system, satellite navigation, Subaru STARLINK connectivity, steering wheel-mounted audio controls, Bluetooth hands-free, USB port and a six-speaker audio system.

### TO SUM UP

The Outback is nothing short of brilliant - it will be everything you will ever need it to be and then some. Of course there are areas where I feel the interior could be a touch better - but it's very functional and the drive is most rewarding. I am happy to give the Outback 5 stars because it truly is



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# Bison lose ground after double defeat

By Christian Wilson

ANY dwindling hopes Basingstoke Bison had of retaining their English Premier League (EPL) crown were ended in the space of 24 hours last week.

Both table toppers Telford Tigers and second-placed Milton Keynes Lightning came out on top against the Herd to leave them 18 points off the pace.

After losing their previous game at Peterborough Phantoms, the Stampede were unable to find a way past Milton Keynes Lightning netminder Przemyslaw Odobny in a scoreless opening period on Friday that included 25 shots.

But two goals in the space of two minutes midway through the second period turned the game in the hosts' favour, as Lewis Hook and Milan Baranyk both

beat Tomas Hladovsky in the Bison net.

Ciaran Long did manage to pull one back for the visitors with 4:23 remaining to set up a dramatic finish, but, despite removing Hladovsky from the ice to bring on another skater, Bison were unable to score again to force overtime.

An even tougher test was to follow on Saturday night, as runaway leaders Telford came to town boasting a record of just eight defeats from 39 in the EPL this season.

But despite seeing themselves ultimately dominated in the shots tally by 39 to 22, it was the Stampede that had the best of the early running at the Basingstoke Arena.

And it was the hosts that lit the goal light first on 4:19, as Long's drive was tipped into the net by

skipper Aaron Connolly on the powerplay.

Around about the same time in the second period and it was 2-0 to the Bison, after Dan Davies set up Long to finish high into the net past former goalie Jon Baston.

But after Rick Plant tipped the puck into the net on 28:55 to bring Telford back into contention, it was the visitors who would run away with it after the final buzzer.

Tigers captain Jason Silverthorn would prove to be the thorn in Bison's side, as he stroked home three chances into the net to secure a 4-2 win with a final period hat-trick.

Speaking after the game, Bison head coach Doug Sheppard said: "I think we worked really hard across the weekend and we didn't deserve to come



• Ciaran Long put Basingstoke Bison 2-0 ahead during their defeat to Telford Tigers (Picture by grantkingphotography.com)

away with nothing.

"We played a tough 60 minutes in Milton Keynes, and Telford worked us really hard at the start of the second game.

"It's a shame we ran out of gas at the end of the game.

"The tank was empty and we were outplayed in the third period."

## Sarah targets third skiing title

NORTH Warnborough's Sarah Woodward will look to complete an impressive treble at the English Alpine Championships next week.

The 15-year-old skiing sensation won the under-16 overall title in Bormio, Italy, last year, to add to the under-14 crown 12 months earlier.

But ahead of this year's championships, which will begin on Saturday and run until next Friday, the Robert May's School pupil claims to not be feeling the pressure.

She said: "I've been racing there since I was a mini, I've loved it ever since then.

"I love the atmosphere there, the pistes are really good.

"The Super G is slightly harder than other races, and it pushes athletes.

"Plus the dual slalom, with the whole team, the atmosphere is brilliant.

"Last year I was overall U16 champion, and then U14 champion the year before, so I'd like to



• Sarah Woodward

match those results, if possible. "I'm going into it really confidently; training has been going really well."

She continued: "The competi-

tion, as always, is really tough, so I'm just hoping to ski my best, push as hard as I can, and hopefully come out with an outcome I can be happy with."

## Owen to take on best of Britain

HOOK-BASED athlete Owen Richardson will test himself against the best in Britain this weekend.

The 18-year-old 400m runner has been invited to race the likes of Team GB Olympians Jarryd Dunn and Rabah Yousif.

Sherfield School pupil Richardson is currently the number one ranked runner in the UK in the under-20 age group, and was crowned South of England under-20 champion in January.

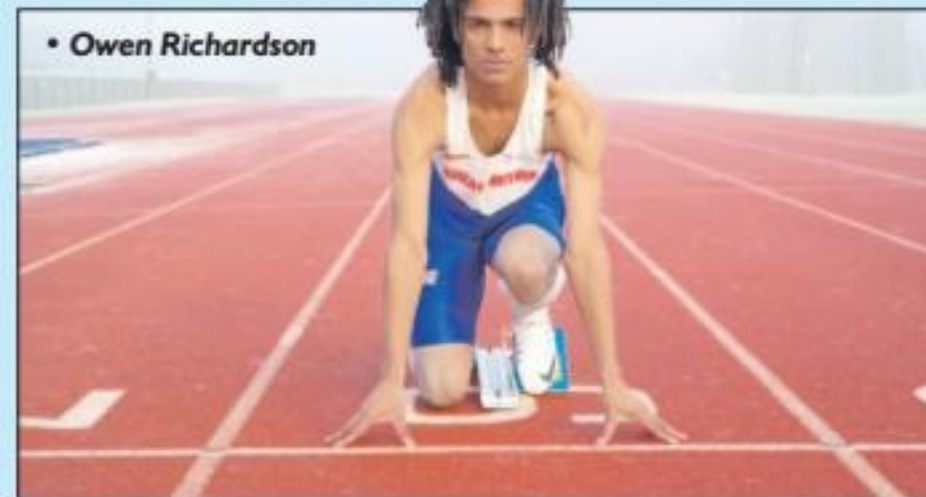
This run saw the teen-

ager set the eighth fastest time by a Brit this year, with Saturday's British Athletics Indoor Time Trials, in Sheffield, offering him the chance to book a place on the team for the European Indoor Championships in March.

Richardson said: "It's a great opportunity for me to test myself against some of the best runners in the country.

"I've had a great start to the year, and I'm confident I can take that into this event and really compete against the senior guys."

• Owen Richardson



## Sport Bites

### Away victory

**HOCKEY:** Basingstoke Hockey Club men's 1sts beat Reigate Priory 1sts 3-2 away from home to maintain their position at the top of Hampshire/Surrey 1.

The ladies' 1sts claimed a 1-0 win over Teddington 1sts at Down Grange on Saturday in the South Clubs' Women's Hockey League Division 2.

The men's 2nds beat Gosport 1sts on the same day at home 5-0, with the ladies' 2nds beating Alton 2-0, and the 3rds drawing 2-2 at Haslemere.

### Just a draw

**FOOTBALL:** Hartley Wintney increased their lead at the top of the Combined Counties Premier League on Saturday, despite picking up a rare draw.

The Row are now 21 points clear of their nearest rivals, after goals from Luke Perkins and Ross Cook saw them held 2-2 at Abbey Rangers.

Hartley look dead certs to defend their league title, after winning 26 and drawing four of their 32 matches.

### Youngsters win

**RUGBY:** Basingstoke RFC Academy came out on top in their clash with Hampshire rivals Farnham on Saturday.

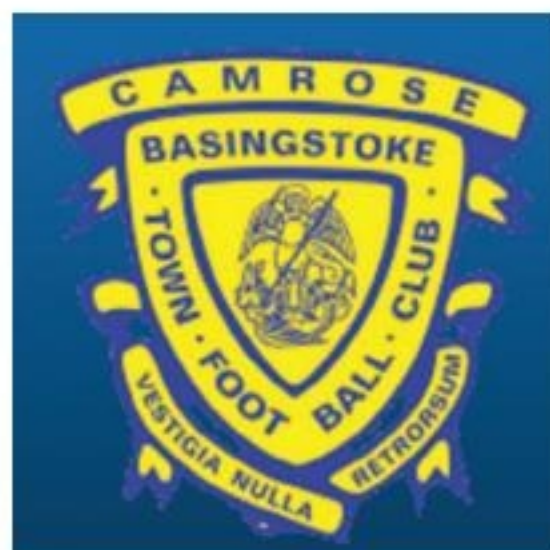
A converted try from Brad Titcombe gave 'Stoke a half time lead, before captain Jon Page then went over late on to seal a 12-8 win.

Coach Steve Parker said: "The boys never stopped. For the whole game, every single player put in a massive shift, and I am very proud of them and the result they have got today."

The senior side will return to action after a week off with a match against Millbrook at Down Grange.

### Postponed games

**FOOTBALL:** Both Basingstoke Town Ladies 1sts and reserves saw their respective matches against St Nicholas Ladies and AFC Portchester called off on Sunday afternoon.



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# 'Stoke knocked for six by Weymouth

By Christian Wilson

BASINGSTOKE Town's charge up the table came to a crashing halt on Saturday as they were battered in front of their own supporters.

Mid-table Weymouth scored three goals in each half to embarrass Terry Brown's depleted side 6-1 at the Ark Cancer Charity Stadium.

There looked to be no warning of what was about to come going into the match, after the free kick taking prowess of Nana Owusu had inspired his side to three wins on the bounce.

But Basingstoke's star forward struggled to make any kind of an impact against the Terras, and saw his side go a goal down 26 minutes in, as Stuart Fleetwood's shot deceived keeper Alex Tokarczyk to creep in at the near post.

And before three more minutes had elapsed, Weymouth landed another knockout blow to double their advantage, with Charlie Davis scoring a carbon copy of Owusu's free kick winner against Banbury days earlier.

Things went from bad to worse shortly after that, as substitute Mark Molesley was brought down by Tokarczyk inside the box to present Davis with a chance to score from the spot that he

duly dispatched emphatically.

After a half-time rollicking from Town boss Brown, the hosts came flying out of the blocks at the start of the second half, with only a superb stop by keeper Tom McHale denying Aaron Jarvis less than 30 seconds in.

But Basingstoke quickly got over that disappointment to pull one back two minutes later, as Marcus Johnson-Schuster's cross was hit first time into the corner by Aaron Redford.

Joe Gater then headed a great chance straight at McHale, before 'Stoke were hit with another sucker punch on the hour mark to go 4-1 down in controversial circumstances.

Sam Deadfield felt he'd done enough to boot Dean Evans' close range effort off the line, but to his and his teammates' dismay, the goal was given by the linesman.

With Basingstoke still smarting from that decision, they found themselves 5-1 down three minutes later, as Fleetwood chipped a superb effort over Tokarczyk's head and into the net to end the contest.

And there was still time for the striker to add salt to the wounds by claiming his hat-trick with a strike that flew in off the post.



• Aaron Redford scored a consolation goal for Basingstoke Town in the 6-1 defeat (Picture by Daniel Murphy)

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